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BOOK DISPATCH NO. 184

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TO: All Chiefs of Station and Base
FROM: Director of Personnel
SUBJECT: General - Employees' Compensation Benefits
Specific - Medical Benefits for Dependents
ACTION REQUIRED: Advise Field Personnel

1. This book dispatch announces a new policy, effective 21 September 1956, of medical travel and medical treatment for dependents of Organization staff employees and staff agents, except for detailed military personnel to whom the provisions of [REDACTED] continue to apply.

2. Pending publication of a regulation on this subject, the following policy is provided for the guidance of responsible officials and staff personnel:

a. Dependents of staff agents or staff employees who are stationed abroad (outside the continental limits of our country, its Territories or possessions) on a PCS basis in a locality where there is no suitable hospital or clinic will have benefits regarding medical travel similar to those available to staff personnel.

b. Dependents of a staff agent or staff employee who are stationed abroad, and who incur illness or injury while located abroad which is not the result of vicious habits, intemperance, or misconduct on their part, will have benefits similar to those available to staff personnel. The Organization may, in accordance with such regulations as it may prescribe, pay for that portion of the cost of treatment of each such illness or injury that exceeds \$35 up to a maximum limitation of 120 days of treatment for each such illness or injury, except that such maximum limitation shall not apply whenever headquarters, on the basis of professional medical advice, shall determine that such illness or injury clearly is caused by the fact that such dependent is or has been located abroad.

3. Since this program does not cover all aspects of medical requirements, it is suggested that personnel who have medical insurance and hospitalization policies may wish to continue them.

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4. Work is under way to prepare the necessary regulations and procedures. In the interim, claims for all medical expenses incurred by staff agents and staff employees for their dependents on and after 21 September 1956 should be submitted for Headquarters consideration on a facsimile of the attached Form No. 1126, CLAIM FOR DEPENDENT MEDICAL CARE. Such claims should be accompanied by an explanation of any travel expenses incurred in order to provide hospitalization where no suitable hospital or clinic exists at the station or base of assignment, itemized receipted bills, and statements from attending physicians as to treatment given.

5. In cases involving dependents of individuals under nonofficial cover, or when other operational security requirements dictate, the information required in the attached form should be provided in a completely sterile manner, certified to by the employee, and, security permitting, signed by the adult dependent concerned.



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Attachment H/W (1)
Form No. 1126

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